

Initiative, as such initiative is set forth under section 271 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 12821).”

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2846, AS MODIFIED

On page 137, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

SEC. 232. Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may—

(1) develop a formal, structured, and written plan that the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall use when monitoring for compliance with the specific relocation restrictions in—

(A) the Community Development Block Grant entitlement program; and

(B) the Community Development Block Grant State program that receives economic development funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

(2) submit such plan to the Committee on Appropriations of both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2848, AS MODIFIED

On page 137, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

SEC. 232. (a) REQUIRED SUBMISSIONS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2007 AND 2008.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may submit to the relevant authorizing committees and to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives for fiscal year 2007 and 2008—

(A) a complete and accurate accounting of the actual project-based renewal costs for project-based assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f);

(B) revised estimates of the funding needed to fully fund all 12 months of all project-based contracts under such section 8, including project-based contracts that expire in fiscal year 2007 and fiscal year 2008; and

(C) all sources of funding that will be used to fully fund all 12 months of the project-based contracts for fiscal years 2007 and 2008.

(2) UPDATED INFORMATION.—At any time after the expiration of the 60-day period described in paragraph (1), the Secretary may submit corrections or updates to the information required under paragraph (1), if upon completion of an audit of the project-based assistance program under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f), such audit reveals additional information that may provide Congress a more complete understanding of the Secretary's implementation of the project-based assistance program under such section 8.

(b) REQUIRED SUBMISSIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009.—As part of the Department of Housing and Urban Development's budget request for fiscal year 2009, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall submit to the relevant authorizing committees and to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives complete and detailed information, including a project-by-project analysis, that verifies that such budget request will fully fund all project-based contracts under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) in fiscal year 2009, including expiring project-based contracts.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2857

(Purpose: To prohibit the Federal Transit Administration from using funds appropriated under this Act to promulgate regulations to carry out section 5309 of title 49, United States Code)

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. None of the funds provided or limited under this Act may be used to issue a final regulation under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2859

(Purpose: To limit the amount available for the Urban Partnership Congestion Initiative under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code)

On page 50, line 21, insert “*Provided further*, That of the funds available to carry out the bus program under section 5309 of title 49, United States Code, which are not otherwise allocated under this Act or under SAFETEA-LU (Public Law 109-59), not more than 10 percent may be expended to carry out the Urban Partnership Congestion Initiative:” after “5309(b)(3):”.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2825, AS MODIFIED

At the end of the sections under the heading “GENERAL PROVISIONS” at the end of title I, add the following:

#### SEC. 1 \_\_\_\_\_. PROHIBITION ON IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF TOLLS ON CERTAIN HIGHWAYS CONSTRUCTED USING FEDERAL FUNDS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) FEDERAL HIGHWAY FACILITY.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term “Federal highway facility” means—

(i) any highway, bridge, or tunnel on the Interstate System that is constructed using Federal funds; or

(ii) any United States highway.

(B) EXCLUSION.—The term “Federal highway facility” does not include any right-of-way for any highway, bridge, or tunnel described in subparagraph (A).

(2) TOLLING PROVISION.—The term “tolling provision” means section 1216(b) of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (23 U.S.C. 129 note; 112 Stat. 212);

(b) PROHIBITION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds made available by this Act shall be used to consider or approve an application to permit the imposition or collection of any toll on any portion of a Federal highway facility in the State of Texas—

(A)(i) that is in existence on the date of enactment of this Act; and

(ii) on which no toll is imposed or collected under a tolling provision on that date of enactment; or

(B) that would result in the Federal highway facility having fewer non-toll lanes than before the date on which the toll was first imposed or collected.

(2) EXEMPTION.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the imposition or collection of a toll on a Federal highway facility—

(A) on which a toll is imposed or collected under a tolling provision on the date of enactment of this Act; or

(B) that is constructed, under construction, or the subject of an application for construction submitted to the Secretary, after the date of enactment of this Act.

(c) STATE BUY-BACK.—None of the funds made available by this Act shall be used to impose or collect a toll on a Federal highway facility in the State of Texas that is purchased by the State of Texas on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2837, AS MODIFIED

On page 70, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

SEC. 1 \_\_\_\_\_. The Secretary of Transportation may conduct a study of the use of non-hazardous recycled aggregates and other materials, including reused concrete and asphalt, in highway projects, to the maximum extent practicable and whenever economically feasible and consistent with public health and environmental laws.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2856

(Purpose: To strike the prohibition on the use of appropriations by Amtrak to support routes on which deep discounts are available)

On page 44, strike lines 6 through 13 and insert “of this Act.”.

Mrs. MURRAY. I move to reconsider the vote and to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2826 WITHDRAWN

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Menendez amendment that was previously agreed to be voted on in the morning be withdrawn; that is, Menendez amendment No. 2826.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### MORNING BUSINESS

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to a period of morning business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### MONTANA'S 819TH RED HORSE SQUADRON

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I know that over the last 6 years every Senator has had to send some of their sons and daughters in their State off to war, but today is the first time as a Member of this body I have had to see so many members of a squadron in my State deployed. So it is with great pride that I rise to honor the 400 air men and women of the Air Force's 819th RED HORSE Squadron. About one-half of this squadron is deploying today for training in Wisconsin before going to Iraq later this year.

Over the last decade, Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls, MT, has been the home of the 819th RED HORSE Squadron. For the uninitiated, RED HORSE stands for rapid engineer deployable heavy operation repair squadron engineer. Basically, these are the men and women who rebuild Air Force facilities overseas, such as runways. They also have spent considerable time in Iraq rebuilding schools and homes. These are men and women who do some truly wonderful work.

In a previous deployment to Iraq in 2005, the squadron was involved in 130 construction projects on 12 different bases in Iraq. The 819th has served in Afghanistan and Qatar. In every place they have taken on complicated engineering projects for the U.S. Government but have also done outstanding work with locals to rehabilitate housing and provide residents with everything from coloring books for kids to new washing machines.

It is a combination of accomplishment, strength, and generosity that represents the best of our Nation.

This afternoon, as the men and women of the 819th begin to train for